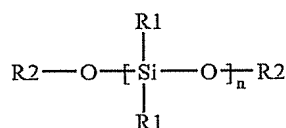


This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

- [[-]] a branched alkoxy-functional polysiloxane having the formula



[[-]] an amino-functional catalyst,

wherein said coating composition comprises more than 60% by weight solids.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Canceled).

6. (Currently Amended) Coating composition according to claim 1, characterised in that wherein the acrylic polymer has a glass transition temperature between 0°C and 100°C.

7. (Currently amended) Coating composition according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the coating composition has been obtained by polymerising 20-80% by weight of acrylic monomers in 80-20% by weight of polysiloxane, wherein the % by weight is calculated based on the total weight of ~~the~~ olefinically unsaturated monomers plus the polysiloxane before the start of the polymerisation reaction of the acrylate monomers, followed by adding the catalyst.

8. (Currently Amended) Coating composition according to claim 7, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the coating composition has been obtained by polymerising 1-60% by weight of methyl methacrylate and 0-70% by weight of butyl methacrylate in 20-80% by weight of polysiloxane, wherein the % by weight is calculated based on the total weight of ~~the~~ olefinically unsaturated monomers plus the polysiloxane before the start of the polymerisation reaction of the acrylate monomers, followed by adding the catalyst.

9. (Previously Presented) A process for applying a protective coating, the process comprising applying the coating composition according to claim 1 to a surface.

10. (Previously Presented) A process for coating, the process comprising applying the coating composition according to claim 1 at ambient temperature of to a large structure selected from the group consisting of a ship, a bridge, a building, an industrial plant, and an oil rig.

11. (Currently Amended) Coating composition according to claim 2, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the polysiloxane is an alkoxysilyl-functional polysiloxane.

12. (Currently Amended) Coating composition according to claim 2, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the catalyst is an aminosilane.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently Amended) Coating composition according to claim 2, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the acrylic polymer has a glass transition temperature between 0°C and 100°C.

15. (Currently Amended) Coating composition according to claim 3, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the acrylic polymer has a glass transition temperature between 0°C and 100°C.

16. (Currently Amended) Coating composition according to claim 5, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the acrylic polymer has a glass transition temperature between 0°C and 100°C.

17. (Currently Amended) Coating composition according to claim 3, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the coating composition has been obtained by polymerising 20-80% by weight of acrylic monomers in 80-20% by weight of polysiloxane, wherein the % by weight is calculated based on the total weight of ~~the~~ olefinically unsaturated monomers plus the polysiloxane before the start of the polymerisation reaction of the acrylate monomers, followed by adding the catalyst.

18. (Currently Amended) Coating composition according to claim 5, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the coating composition has been obtained by polymerising 20-80% by weight of acrylic monomers in 80-20% by weight of polysiloxane, wherein the % by weight is calculated based on the total weight of ~~the~~ olefinically unsaturated monomers plus the polysiloxane before the start of the polymerisation reaction of the acrylate monomers, followed by adding the catalyst.

19. (Currently Amended) Coating composition according to claim 6, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the coating composition has been obtained by polymerising 20-80% by weight of acrylic monomers in 80-20% by weight of polysiloxane, wherein the % by weight is calculated based on the total weight of ~~the~~ olefinically unsaturated monomers plus the polysiloxane before the start of the polymerisation reaction of the acrylate monomers, followed by adding the catalyst.

20. (Currently Amended) Coating composition according to claim 17, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the coating composition has been obtained by polymerising 1-60% by weight of methyl methacrylate and 0-70% by weight of butyl methacrylate in 20-80% by weight of polysiloxane, wherein the % by weight is calculated based on the total weight of ~~the~~ olefinically unsaturated monomers plus the polysiloxane before the start of the polymerisation reaction of the acrylate monomers, followed by adding the catalyst.

21. (Currently Amended) Coating composition according to claim 18, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the coating composition has been obtained by polymerising 1-60% by weight of methyl methacrylate and 0-70% by weight of butyl methacrylate in 20-80% by weight of polysiloxane, wherein the % by weight is calculated based on the total weight of ~~the~~ olefinically unsaturated monomers plus the polysiloxane before the start of the polymerisation reaction of the acrylate monomers, followed by adding the catalyst.